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MUNICIPAL VOTE

Our next Legislature, by all appearances, will have ample work on their hands in going over the proceedings of the last parliament and administering a few retouches here and there. The short experience the City Corporation have had in the working of the City Charter cannot fail to have convinced them and every one who has paid the slightest attention to City affairs, that a more bungled piece of legislation never came out of the hands of a law-making power. The Corporation can scarcely make a move without being brought to a dead-stop, either through some mistake of their own or what is generally the case, from the imperfection of the Act. We alluded briefly in our yesterday's edition to the questions at issue between the Gas Company and the Municipal Corporation, under the Municipal Trades License By-Law. Further looking into the matter has convinced us that there are other points connected with it not without their interest for the public. When we see the Governor referring this question to the Municipal vote, "in accordance with the words of the Colonial Secretary, we, of course, ask ourselves what does the Act say about it? We there find that if we take the document passed by the Council to be a By-Law that the Governor has the power instead of referring it to the Municipal vote to be decided. Thus far it seems clear enough. But then the Act goes on to refer to the manner in which this vote shall be taken, and here matters seem to come to a full stop. The passage bearing upon the point reads thus—'Provided that the Governor for the time being may instead of voting any By-Law refer the same to the Municipal vote, and the said Municipal vote shall be taken in manner heretofore prescribed for the confirmation or disallowance of a resolution anticipating future revenue of the Municipality.' Now when we come to examine the portion of the Act preceding the passage just quoted, we find nothing whatever showing how the Municipal vote shall be taken, so that if we take the literal reading of the act there is something wanting. The machinery to carry out the reference to the popular vote for the above purposes is not to be found where the passage above given would lead one to seek for it. The City Council then when they referred the matter to be voted upon by the electors on Saturday next, have evidently taken upon themselves to stretch a point or two. They can find nothing in the Act directing them what to do unless they change the word 'heretofore,' which we have italicised above, into the word 'hereafter.' If they have power to alter the Act in that respect they may then find directions under the twenty-third section of the Act, which it may be thought was intended to refer to it. But what right have the Corporation to take upon themselves to change the reading of the Act?

If, through the careless manner in which the measure was prepared, there is deficiency, themselves a sort of Legislature to supply it. If they do so in one case, they may take it upon themselves to do the same in another, and there is no knowing where the thing may stop. But the Council have prepared to put the matter to the municipal vote, not as a By-law, but as a resolution. It is difficult to see what can be their object in doing this, unless it is for the purpose of inducing the public to believe that the rejection of their regulation for the Municipal Trades Licenses at the forthcoming poll, would prevent any other measure of the kind being enacted for another year. We, in common with others, were at first sight somewhat misled by it, and disposed to take this view. But it may be doubted whether anything of the kind would happen. If the measure prescribing the collection of the Trades License were only a resolution, it surely should not have been referred to the Governor for his veto. He has to deal with nothing but By-laws. He can refer no resolution to the municipal vote. A resolution of the Council anticipating a portion of the municipal revenue is required to have the consent of the electors, which must be taken in a prescribed form. But such a resolution can not come before the Governor. Should such a resolution be negatived by the electors, the Act prescribes that neither it nor one of a similar nature shall be brought forward or considered during the same year. But it, of course, does not follow from this that a resolution for any other purpose would share a similar fate. Still less would we be justified in inferring that a By-law though voted upon and negatived under the name of a resolution, would thereby be rendered incapable of being again considered during the municipal year. The power of the electors to reject a By-Law is equivalent to the vetoing power of the Governor, and is followed by no greater effects. The rejection therefore of the Trades License By-Law by the electoral vote, though it may delay the collection of city taxes, would not prevent the re-enactment of a similar measure. But how do the Council stand in the matter? They have in the first place changed the Act of incorporation so as to avail themselves of certain machinery for taking the municipal vote in a case not clearly provided for. In the next place they have placed a By-Law before the public for confirmation or disapproval as a resolution which cannot be said to be the same thing. In neither case have they adhered to the strict letter of their duty. Of course, where the laws made for their guidance have been so carelessly framed as to leave room for doubt as to the proper mode of procedure under them, there may sometimes be good grounds for excusing municipal blunders. But before that can be done the Corporation should endeavor to rectify their steps. In this instance, the best thing they can do is to reconsider their By-Law, and expunge such portions of it as may justly be found fault with. The Governor has refused to assent to it. He refers it to the municipal vote, but for the taking of that vote, as we have shown above, there is no proper provision made in the Act of incorporation. The Corporation, therefore, not having power to proceed, has no alternative but to commence again.

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MATTHIAS ROWLAND

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(Signed) JNO. W. DISSETTE, Convener.

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